

TITLE: Revision of Administrative Rules to Outline License Renewal Audit Procedure

The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board approves the following revision to their Administrative Rules concerning audit of license renewals:

§8-54-9

~~(c) Teaching licenses expiring [2008] July 1, 2010 and later:—Licensees whose five-year licenses expire on [June 30] July 1 [2008] [2009] 2010 or later shall [submit a professional growth plan by a date established by the board. The professional growth plan shall be submitted in a format and manner established by the board and shall comply with the procedure described in §8-54-9(b) above.~~

~~Failure to: 1) submit a professional growth plan by the dates established by the board; or 2) submit documentation and report of completion of the professional growth plan in a format and manner established by the board and at least six months prior to the expiration date of the license, shall result in the licensee having to meet the initial licensing requirements in effect at the time and submit:~~

- ~~i) an application for initial license;~~
- ~~ii) all documents and any other information required by the board; and~~
- ~~iii) any initial license application fee/s established by the board.~~

~~All documentation and reports must] meet the guidelines set by the board. Acceptance of the licensee's documentation [and report] shall result in a five-year license renewal, provided the licensee has paid the necessary fees specified by the board.~~

~~[If a licensee's documentation and report are not accepted, the board may allow the licensee one additional opportunity to produce appropriate documentation and report of the~~

~~completion of his/her professional growth plan. The
board's decision after
this second submittal shall be final.]~~

The board will conduct an audit between July 1 and August
31 of each year beginning July 1, 2011;

Ten percent of renewals, not to exceed two hundred
annually, will be drawn from those renewals occurring
between July 1 to June 30 of the previous school year;

Licensees will submit documentation for audit in a manner
prescribed by the board;

An independent, external organization ~~will~~ may be
contracted by the board to evaluate the renewals and their
compliance with the criteria of meeting the Teacher
Performance Standards and satisfactory experience and
report to the board. They ~~will~~ may also provide information
on methods used to meet Teacher Performance Standards and
feedback on the effectiveness of the renewal process.

If a licensee is found not to be in compliance as a result
of the audit, disciplinary action on the license may occur.

If a licensee wishes to contest the board's decision, he or
she may pursue the matter in the circuit court of the State
of Hawaii in the circuit where the licensee resides, or in
the First Circuit Court of the State of Hawaii if the
licensee resides outside of the State of Hawaii.

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Referred to: Legislative Committee